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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, VE, OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A)

SUBJECT: MESSAGE TO FOREIGN MINISTER SCHACHT

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY  
TO FOREIGN MINISTER SCHACHT:

2. BEGIN TEXT. DEAR MR. MINISTER: I HAVE BEEN LOOKING  
FORWARD TO A VISIT TO CARACAS EVER SINCE YOUR PRESIDENT  
EXTENDED THE CORDIAL INVITATION OF YOUR GOVERNMENT. I  
WAS THEREFORE PARTICULARLY PLEASED TO KNOW THAT LAST WEEK  
AMBASSADOR BURELLI RIVAS HAD AGAIN URGED, THROUGH BILL  
ROGERS, THAT I CONSIDER A VISIT FOLLOWING OUR JANUARY  
TALKS HERE.

3. I NOW FIND THAT THE THIRD WEEK IN FEBRUARY WILL BE A  
GOOD TIME FOR ME TO VISIT SOUTH AMERICA. I AM CONSIDERING  
STOPS IN ARGENTINA, BRAZIL, CHILE AND PERU. I WOULD LIKE  
TO CONSIDER CARACAS ON THAT ITINERARY.

4. BEFORE GOING TOO FAR ON THE DETAILED PLANNING, HOWEVER,  
I WANTED TO MENTION THIS TO YOU. MY VISIT TO CARACAS  
COULD COME AT THE BEGINNING OF THE WEEK, PERHAPS ON  
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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24. PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF THIS WOULD BE

QUITE CONVENIENT TO YOU.

5. UNTIL SUCH TIME AS YOU AND I CAN JOINTLY ANNOUNCE THE VISIT, I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR KEEPING MY PLANS IN CONFIDENCE. AS SOON AS I HEAR FROM THE OTHER COUNTRIES ON THE ITINERARY, I WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH YOU ABOUT A FORMAL JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT IN CARACAS AND WASHINGTON. WARM REGARDS, HENRY A. KISSINGER. END TEXT. BROWN

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